IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANTONY DOMINIC

MONDAY, THE 20TH AUGUST 2007 / 29TH SRAVANA 1929

WP(C).No. 25283 of 2007(I)

PETITIONERS:

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1. V.C. ISAC,
   TAHSILDAR (R.R), PATHANAMTHITTA.

2. C.A. KARMALY,
   ADDITIONAL TAHSILDAR, NILAMBUR, MALAPPURAM.

3. V.J. GEOREGE,
   TAHSILDAR, TALUK OFFICE, PONNANI, MALAPPURAM.

BY ADV. SRI.N.SUGATHAN
SMT.VARSHA BHASKAR
SRI.S.PRASANTH (AYYAPPANKAVU)

RESPONDENTS:

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1. THE STATE OF KERALA,
   REPRESENTED BY THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY (FINANCE),
   FINANCE DEPARTMENT, SECRETARIAT,THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

2. THE COMMISSIONER OF LAND REVENUE,
   PUBLIC OFFICE BUILDING, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM-33.

3. THE ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (A & E),
   KERALA, M.G.ROAD, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM-695 039.

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SRI. BIJOY CHANDRAN

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 20/08/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

ANTONY DOMINIC, J.

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Dated this the 20th August, 2007

J U D G M E N T

Petitioners are Tahsildars in the Revenue Department. Based on Exts. P3 and P4, the petitioners exercised their option. They had opted to continue in the pre-revised scale upto the date indicated in the option. This was accepted and pay was re-fixed. Petitioners have also produced as Exts. P6 to P8 pay slips that were issued subsequently. It is stated that based on Ext. P9, P11 and P13 pay has been re-fixed by Exts. P10 and P12 without notice to the petitioners. Aggrieved by the re-fixation of pay, petitioners 2 and 3 have filed representations to the 1st respondent evidenced by Exts. P16 and P17.

2. As already stated it is the grievance of the petitioners that the pay was re-fixed without notice to them and that the option was exercised by them in view of the enabling provisions in the pay revision order. These are matters to be considered by the 1st respondent.

2. Now that the petitioners 2 and 3 have filed Exts. P16 and P17 representations which are pending consideration

of the 1st respondent, I dispose of this writ petition directing the 1st respondent to consider and pass orders thereon as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment. Before final orders are passed as directed above, the petitioners shall be given an opportunity of personal hearing. The writ petition is disposed of as above.

Petitioners are directed to produce a copy of this judgment before the 1st respondent for compliance.

ANTONY DOMINIC
JUDGE

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